on appeals, and procuring and paying the cost of any approved training, including subsistence and transportation costs, according to determinations issued by the liable State.

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§617.27 Subsistence payments.

- (a) Eligibility. A trainee under this subpart C shall be afforded supplemental assistance necessary to pay costs of separate maintenance when the training facility is located outside the commuting area, but may not receive such supplemental assistance for any period for which the trainee receives such a payment under the JTPA, or any other law, or for any day referred to under §617.28(c)(3) pursuant to which a transportation allowance is payable to the individual, or to the extent the individual is entitled to be paid or reimbursed for such expenses from any other source.
- (b) *Amount*. Subsistence payments shall not exceed the lesser of:
- (1) The individual's actual per diem expenses for subsistence; or
- (2) 50 percent of the prevailing per diem rate authorized under the Federal travel regulations (see 41 CFR part 101–7) for the locale of the training.
- (c) Applications. Applications for subsistence payments shall be filed in accordance with this subpart C and on forms which shall be furnished to trainees by the State agency. Such payments shall be made on completion of a week of training, except that at the beginning of a training project a State agency may advance a payment for a week if it determines that such advance is necessary to enable a trainee to accept training. An adjustment shall be made if the amount of an advance is less or more than the amount to which the trainee is entitled under paragraph (b) of this section. A determination as to an application made under this section shall be subject to §§ 617.50 and 617.51.
- (d) Unexcused absences. No subsistence payment shall be made to an individual for any day of unexcused absence as certified by the responsible training facility.

§617.28 Transportation payments.

- (a) Eligibility. A trainee under this subpart C shall be afforded supplemental assistance necessary to pay transportation expenses if the training is outside the commuting area, but may not receive such assistance if transportation is arranged for the trainee as part of a group and paid for by the State agency or to the extent the trainee receives a payment of transportation expenses under another Federal law, or to the extent the individual is entitled to be paid or reimbursed for such expenses from any other source.
- (b) *Amount*. A transportation allowance shall not exceed the lesser of:
- (1) The actual cost for travel by the least expensive means of transportation reasonably available between the trainee's home and the training facility; or
- (2) The cost per mile at the prevailing mileage rate authorized under the Federal travel regulations. *See* 41 CFR part 101–7.
- (c) *Travel included*. Travel for which a transportation allowance shall be paid includes travel:
- (1) At the beginning and end of the training program;
- (2) When the trainee fails for good cause, as described in §617.18(b)(2), to complete the training program; and
- (3) For daily commuting, in lieu of subsistence, but not exceeding the amount otherwise payable as subsistence for each day of commuting.
- (d) Applications. Applications for transportation payments shall be filed in accordance with this subpart C and on forms which shall be furnished to trainees by the State agency. Payments may be made in advance. An adjustment shall be made if the amount of an advance is less or more than the amount to which the trainee is entitled under paragraph (b) of this section. A determination as to an application made under this section shall be subject to §§ 617.50 and 617.51.

§617.29 Application of EB work test.

(a) Registration for employment. Adversely affected workers who have exhausted all rights to UI and who otherwise qualify for TRA under §617.11,

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shall, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section:

- (1) Register for work and be referred to work by the State agency in the same manner as required for EB claimants under the applicable State law provisions which are consistent with section 202(a)(3) of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970; and
- (2) Be subject to the work test requirements for EB claimants under the applicable State law provisions which are consistent with section 202(a)(3) of the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970.
- (b) Exceptions. Paragraph (a) of this section shall not apply to any week an individual is undergoing training approved under this subpart C.

Subpart D—Job Search Allowances

§ 617.30 General.

A job search allowance shall be granted an adversely affected worker to assist the individual in securing a job within the United States as provided in this subpart D.

§617.31 Applications.

- (a) Forms. Applications for job search allowances shall be filed in accordance with this subpart D and on forms which shall be furnished to individuals by the State agency.
- (b) Submittal. An application may be submitted to a State agency at any time by an individual who has been totally or partially separated whether or not a certification covering the individual has been made. However, an application must be submitted to a State agency before the job search begins for the job search allowance to be granted, and the job search may not be approved until after the individual is covered under a certification.
- (c) *Time limits*. Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this section, a job search allowance application may be approved only if submitted before:
- (1) The 365th day after the date of the certification under which the individual is covered, or the 365th day after the date of the individual's last total separation, whichever is later; or

(2) The 182d day after the concluding date of training approved under subpart C of this part 617, or approved under the regulations superseded by this part 617.

§617.32 Eligibility.

- (a) Conditions. Job search allowance eligibility requires:
 - (1) A timely filed application;
- (2) Total separation from adversely affected employment at the time the job search commences;
- (3) Registration with the State agency which shall furnish the individual such reemployment services as are appropriate under subpart C of this part 617
- (4) A determination by the State agency that the individual has no reasonable expectation of securing suitable employment in the commuting area, and has a reasonable expectation of obtaining suitable employment of long-term duration outside the commuting area and in the area where the job search will be conducted. For the purposes of this section, the term "suitable employment" means suitable work as defined in §617.3(kk) (1) or (2), whichever is applicable to the individual; and
- (5) Completion of the job search within a reasonable period not exceeding 30 days after the day on which the job search began.
- (b) Completion of job search. A job search is deemed completed when the individual either secures employment or has contacted each employer to whom referred by the State agency in connection with a job search.
- (c) Verification of employer contacts. The State agency shall verify contacts with employers certified by the individual.

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§617.33 Findings required.

- (a) Findings by liable State. Before final payment of a job search allowance may be approved, the following findings shall be made by the liable State:
- (1) The individual meets the eligibility requirements for a job search allowance specified in §617.32(a) (1) through (4);